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1. INFORMATION FROM "VALET" AND "TERENTIJ"
2. PINASHKIN REPORTS ON ENCODING MATTERS
(1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 361

23rd February 1942

[Addressee not recovered] [300 groups unrecoverable]
 [15 groups unrecovered]

. (Information from "VALET"(i) and "TERENTIJ"(ii)).(a)
 [14 groups unrecovered]
 [40 groups unrecoverable]
 [15 groups unrecovered]

careful attitude towards the work. Such [1 group unrecovered] encoding(b) took up a lot of time.

[Internal serial No. not recovered] PINASHKIN(iii)

Notes: (a) It is almost certain that this telegram contains two messages.

- (i) The first message deals with intelligence and the address and signature are probably somewhere in the unrecoverable/unrecovered groups.
- (ii) The second appears to be a cipher service message and is signed by the cipher clerk.

[b] Or "enciphering".

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Comments: [i] VALET:

i.e. "knav" or "valet"; unidentified covername.
 Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's No. 1644 of 23rd December
 1941 (3/NBP/T1425), 128 of 27th January 1942
 (unpublished) and 586 of 27th March 1942
 (3/NBP/T1484).

[ii] TERENTIJ:

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's
 No. 1618 of 19th December 1941 (3/NBP/T1486), 646
 of 5th April 1942 (3/NBP/T1904), 3876 of
 20th November 1943 (3/NBP/T1652), 3175 of 28th
 November 1943 (unpublished), 3349, 14th December 1943
 (3/NBP/T1671), 3369 of 17th December 1943 (3/NBP/T166
 3376 of 17th December 1943 (3/NBP/T1654), 226 of
 29th January 1944 (3/NBP/T266) and 412 of
 9th February 1944 (3/NBP/T386).

[iii] PINASHKIN:

Sergej PINASHKIN, cipher clerk to the MGB Resident in
 SWEDEN from 1940 to 28th April 1943.